

IT COST MORE TO BOB THIS MAN.

Paid with Bad Checks for Large Amounts and Took the Change.

EMMET C. GIBSON CAUGHT.

He Is Said to Be the Most Famous Hotel Beat in the Country.

\$400,000 IN THREE YEARS.

Among His Victims Here Are the Netherland and Imperial—He Has Others in Many Other Cities.

Detectives Evanhoe and Kear walked into Police Headquarters yesterday afternoon with a well-dressed man apparently about forty years of age, with light beard and hair, who was talking very suavely as he jauntily mounted the steps of the white marble building. Soon after the doors of the Detective Bureau had closed upon the trio, Captain McCluskey announced that one of the cleverest hotel beats and passers of forged paper in the country was "in quod." He referred to Emmet C. Gibson, alias George A. Sherin, formerly of Akron, Ohio, but latterly of the U. S. A. at large. After a search covering several weeks, Chief McCluskey found Gibson in this city, and yesterday he was arrested at Wall and Broad streets.

Auditor Stinson, of the hotel syndicate, comprising among other hotels the Netherland and the Imperial, was the instigator of the arrest, and this is the sketch Chief of Detectives McCluskey supplied: "Gibson's fraudulent operations cover a period of three years at least, and approximate \$400,000. He is a promoter and has handled paper for electric railroads, notably in Akron, Ohio, where he claims he was at one time a judge and president of the local trolley roads. In fact, he says he is still vice-president of the Akron Street Railway Company.

"Up to about a week ago he had an office in the Mills Building, in Broad street, but I believe a padlock was put on the door last Tuesday, because he was about five months in arrears with his rent. Luke Clark, a well-known Chicago promoter, and he worked off some paper together. As to Gibson's hotel operations, I can say that he ran up a bill of \$80 at the Netherland and converted it into \$150 cash in cash in settling it. At the Imperial he ran up a bill of \$200, and got rid of a check for \$200. John Wynn's check, cost him \$500, and I understand Gibson or Sherin got the Philadelphia merchant to purchase a newspaper for him somewhere in Pennsylvania, which he afterwards sold for his own benefit, hypothecating the amount paid.

The specific charge in this instance is passing a bogus check for \$840 on the manager of the Imperial Hotel, on August 6, 1896, which he tendered in payment of his board bill.

"His office in the Mills Building was on the second floor, adjacent to that of the 'New York' office. He had a desk, a chair, a lamp, and a clock. He continued with Gibson's story. I must go back to his escape from Boston, where he was arrested several years ago for swindling the Parker House. This was settled in some way and Gibson went gayly on. In Cleveland he struck the Hotel Stratford, which he targeted. The amount involved there was perhaps \$1,000. The same plan of laying down his check and converting it into cash in settling it. At the Imperial he ran up a bill of \$200, and got rid of a check for \$200. John Wynn's check, cost him \$500, and I understand Gibson or Sherin got the Philadelphia merchant to purchase a newspaper for him somewhere in Pennsylvania, which he afterwards sold for his own benefit, hypothecating the amount paid.

Even Gibson's private secretary, W. H. Campbell, suffered. His claim amounts to \$380. A widow in Cleveland, whose name I do not now recall, lost \$6,000. It is said, through him, some friends here he said to have made him restore \$800 he had secured from her brother. This is the only known instance of restoration to his credit. It was said at headquarters that Campbell was down town trying to get his \$380 from Gibson when the detectives found him. Gibson had a pocketful of checks when arrested. Some were made out and some were blank. He had a note covering 10,000 shares of the Akron Railway Company, which he had secured from a friend after date I promise, etc. In red ink there was written a date when Gibson took up his check and cashed it at the railway stock. He tried hard to explain how it was he was carrying around this assortment of papers, together with a lot of other suspicious looking memoranda, talking freely to the detectives all the way uptown.

Among other papers found on him were those in a suit taken from the German American Bank of Pittsburgh, touching its failure to appear before Justice Smyth in supplementary proceedings, and also an affidavit signed by Justice Smyth to appear before the court in failing to appear in the previous actions. Now that Gibson has been caught, it is expected that many other complainants will appear and his career be further ventilated.

It was a poor widow's regret. But six of her rooms were to let. But a Journal want ad. Made the widow feel glad. Her rooms are all rented, you bet.

PLATT'S SLATE.

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Charles H. Murray placed Thomas Allison in nomination. "I rise to nominate a Republican," he thundered, with a shout on his tongue. The delegates cheered and applauded, and it was some seconds before Mr. Murray could continue.

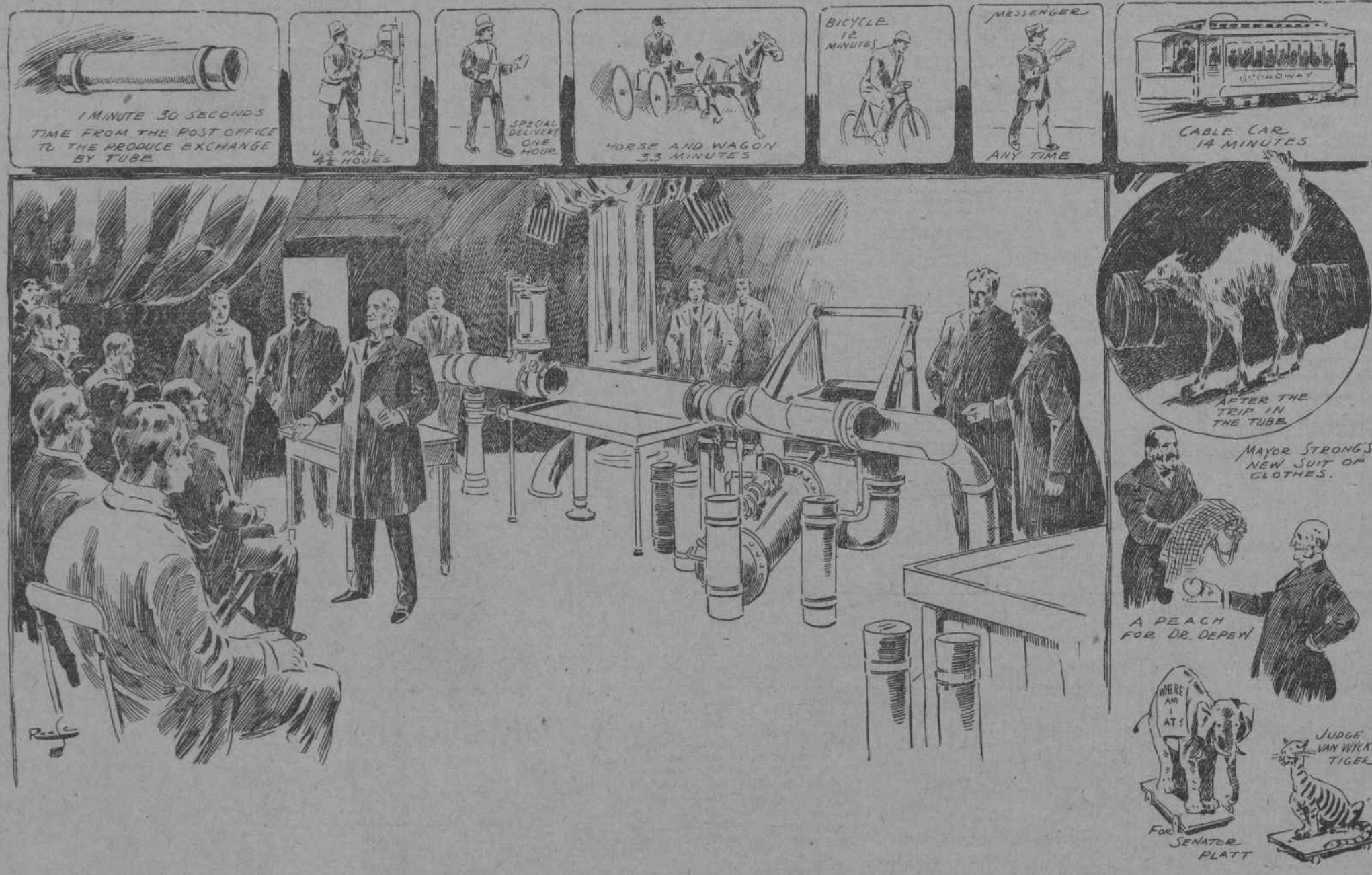
"He is a genuine Republican, and I think he will be acceptable. It has not been unusual for Republican conventions to nominate Republicans."

Mr. Olcott was plainly disturbed by these things at Judge Van Brunt, and moved about restlessly in his chair, waiting for Mr. Murray to finish. Mr. Allison was nominated by acclamation. "Abe" Gruber rose to nominate District Attorney Olcott, but the calls for "platt" form were so great that he modestly withdrew, and gave way to C. N. Boree, of the Twenty-first district. He spoke of Mr. Olcott's rise from an Alderman to the District Attorneyship, and of his fearless presentation of the Tobacco and other cases. Charles W. Anderson, a colored delegate, seconded the nomination. When he finished a delegate from the Tenth District, rose and started in to add his approval to Mr. Olcott's selection. He entered into a rambling tirade against trusts in general and the cigarette trust in particular. He soon became so tiresome that the delegates and spectators tried to hush him down. They booed, stamped and groused, but could not silence him. The Chairman tried in vain to stop him. "Each speaker is allowed but five minutes. The gentleman has one minute remaining."

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MAIL TUBE SERVICE OPENED BY DEPEW. FORWARDING JOURNAL MESSAGE AND BIBLE.



CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW DISCOURSING ON "SPEED" AT THE TRIAL OF THE PNEUMATIC MAIL TUBE.

Box Made the Round Trip Between the General Post Office and the Produce Exchange Station in Four Minutes and Thirty-five Seconds—Cat Makes the Journey None the Worse for His Underground Flight.

ELABORATE preparations were made yesterday at the General Post Office to mark the opening of Greater New York's pneumatic mail tube delivery system. The Tubular Dispatch Company had invited several hundred guests to be present at the sending of the first missive from the Post Office to the sub-station in the Produce Exchange and back, and to eat luncheon afterward in the rooms of Postmaster Van Cott.

Promptly at noon Chauncey M. Depew, ex-Postmaster-General, James N. Tyner, who served under General Grant and made the first recommendation looking to the introduction of this mode of transmitting letters and parcels in this country; Second Assistant Postmaster-General Schellenger, who was detailed to supervise this work; Postmaster Van Cott, John E. Milholland, representing the dispatch company; Abner McKinley, the President's brother, and half a dozen capitalists interested in the work, assembled in the large room on the ground floor of the Post Office, where the compressed air apparatus is installed. Picking up a handsomely bound Bible, wrapped in the American flag, Mr. Depew placed it inside one of the carriers. Then Mr. Tyner wrote the following message for the Journal, which was the first actual message sent through the tube:

New York, Oct. 7, 1897.

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tant era in the postal service in this great city, and the consummation of a wish fervently expressed eight years ago. It brings the service up to the highest condition of excellence within the bounds of known invention."

It took exactly four minutes thirty-five seconds for this carrier to make the round trip, including the delay in opening it at the Produce Exchange and putting in a bunch of violets for Postmaster Van Cott as a guarantee that the carrier had made a bone-fide stop. Then Mr. Tyner sent the second carrier, containing a package of letters bound for the Produce Exchange station which would have been sent by wagon or messenger ordinarily. Mr. Depew next shot through a carrier containing tubes from the postal service systems of London, Berlin and Philadelphia, thus demonstrating how much more useful the present style is, enabling the sender to transmit not only first-class mail matter, but merchandise, clothes, etc.

Then came the sensation of the day. "Oh, we can do better than that," said John Milholland, and "zip-p" sounded a carrier against the cushion of the receiving tube, and a carrier came through with a moving torbise-shell tomato. "You see," he added, "we can even carry live stock." While the crowd was laughing over this incident, a gilt basket containing a big peach arrived, addressed to Dr. Depew. He opened the package smilingly. Then

the nominee, William Halpin, presented Thomas A. Hamilton for Sheriff. L. L. Van Allen seconded the nomination. "Abe" Gruber made the nominating speech for General O'Brien. He began by saying:

"As much as it may displease our English friend, Mr. Croker (isses and grouses, I rise to nominate an Irishman) (prolonged cheering and applause). When Mr. Croker returns to his home in England he will be greeted on the dock by his friend, the Prince of Wales, who will say to him: 'Welcome, welcome! Prince of the Gas House District!' And then the Prince of Wales will ask the Prince of the Gas House District what he has been doing in foreign New York."

"I have served the Queen nobly," he will say. "I have kept the anniversary of the almost clean of the Irish."

"But the gentleman I will name is an Irishman. He is at present holding office. He is willing to continue."

A roar of laughter and applause prevented the speaker from finishing. When the outburst subsided Mr. Gruber said: "More laughter followed, and it was several seconds before he could continue."

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The Message Ex-Postmaster-General Tyner Sent for the Journal Through the New Mail Tube.

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Why that man is the greatest lawyer in New York City, if not in the whole country. He is one of the great living statesmen. His record as the head of the Naval Department shows to what a great height he can rise as an administrator of public, national affairs.

"There are those who talk, and they are becoming fewer and fewer every day, of the duty to vote against this man. The detractors who say that he will be a tool, not a leader, if he is Mayor, never looked the man square in the face, great cheerer, or they don't fear their conscience."

"By all means, whatever you do with the rest of us, work every minute of the time for General Tracy's election."

Three cheers were given the District Attorney as he took his seat in the body of the house, and he rose and proposed three cheers for General Tracy. Then there were three more for him.

The usual committees were appointed, and the convention adjourned.

If your overcoat has been taken "by mistake" you can recover it through an ad. in the Lost and Found column of the Journal.

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Humorous Presents Sent to the Guests—Our Chauncey Makes a Pun, and All Enjoy the Luncheon.

came a toy elephant, labelled "Where am I at?" This was intended for Senator Platt, but in his absence Dr. Depew announced that some fond admirer had sent it to General Tracy. A striped tiger, lean and very thirsty, whizzed through the pipe. When this was unwrapped Dr. Depew said: "This is for Judge Van Wyck, and the steaks are inside," which brought out another laugh. A candlestick and candle came next. They were addressed to Henry George with the line, "Light on the twill and single tax." A gold brick "from Klondike" was received for W. J. Arkell, a suit of clothes for Mayor Strong and various other amusing presents for those in attendance.

Dr. Depew made a humorous speech, winding up with a eulogy of "Speed," which, he said, had done more to put this country in the front rank of civilization than any other one thing, and praising "the pneumatic tube system and Mr. Milholland, whose energy, withdrawn from politics, had been concentrated in this project and had brought it to a successful finish." Assistant Postmaster-General Schellenger then spoke in behalf of the Department, expressing pleasure at the introduction of the system in Greater New York, and saying that it is the harbinger of a speedier service away through to Chicago, and perhaps beyond. Mr. Tyner ended the verbal exercises by saying that it was gratifying to him to be present and see this system introduced in the metropolis.

ENGLAND DELAYS REPLY.

No Answer to Our Bimetallist Proposals Until Our Delegates Have Furnished Explanations.

London, Oct. 7.—The predictions made in the dispatches to the Journal on Saturday last to the effect that Great Britain's answer to the bimetallist proposals would be delayed have been confirmed. Arrangements have now been made to hold informal conferences between the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, and other British officials on one side and the United States Monetary Commissioners and Colonel John Hay, the United States Ambassador, on the other side, for the purpose of securing a more definite understanding as to what the United States and France expect. Consequently the British Government will be unable to fulfill the promise of the Chancellor of the Exchequer to give the United States Commissioners a reply early during the present month, and the delay will possibly last some weeks. Senator Edward O. Wolcott and ex-Vice-President Adlai Stevenson are now in England, while General Charles J. Folger, the last of the three United States Commissioners, is now on his way to London.

STEPSON SHOT FATHER.

Angry Because His Sister Was Not Treated Right, as He Thought.

Samuel Newkowsky shot his stepfather, Louis, yesterday. The shooting with which Samuel Newkowsky stands accused was led up to by a long series of rows between the stepfather, who is only twenty-seven years old, his wife and his five stepchildren. When Mrs. Newkowsky's first husband died eleven years ago, she refrained from marrying because under an old Jewish custom it was necessary for her to obtain the consent of her brother-in-law, who was then only sixteen years old. When Louis reached his majority he decided to avail himself of the right he had to marry her himself. The marriage was everything but a happy one, and quarrels between the two were frequent. Samuel, who is nineteen years old, was angry because of his stepfather's treatment of his sister. They had a bitter quarrel yesterday at their home in Hooper street. Samuel bought a cheap revolver in the Bowery. On his return home he and his stepfather fought in the hallway. Samuel shot him in the hip after the gun had missed five times. Samuel fired a fourth shot at 2 1/2 p.m., after which he ran away from home.

WOMEN FLUTTER AT A BIGAMIST'S BARS.

Foolish Fair Ones Besiege Him in His Prison Cell.

STUFFED WITH DAINTIES.

His Table in Jail Is as Good as That of a First-Class Hotel.

HIS VICTIMS THERE, TOO.

They Mingle with the Fresh Conquests and One of Them Agrees to Withdraw Her Case Against Him.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 7.—Bigamist Bates, alias Gates, has lost none of his popularity with the fair sex, even though he is under indictment for having six or seven wives. The advertising he got at the time of his arrest and during his two months' engagement as a museum freak has added to his attractiveness. He no longer is able to seek out new hearts to conquer, but a number are awaiting him outside the jail bars, for Bates is the best fed man now under the supervision of Jailer Whitman. He never cuts prison fare, nor is his stomach subjected to the wear and tear of restaurant cooking. He lives quite as well, so far as his table is concerned, as if he were a guest at the Auditorium. Never a day passes but some fair admirer carries to the jail a basket of dainties or fruit. Frequently he is the recipient of flowers and candy. It is claimed that some of these tokens of admiration are from one or two former wives of the bigamist, but the most of them come either from conquests made during his museum career, or from women such as haunt the Lovett trial.

On visiting days at the jail Bates has more callers than any of his fellow prisoners, and few of them away without leaving some token of affection. One woman called at the jail today, accompanied by a colored man carrying a huge basket filled with all sorts of eatables. "Take it to cell 316, please," she said to the guard.

"Are you the 316th?" he jokingly inquired. "No; only the fourth," was the reply, which came with a smile.

Another wife who refused to give her name, called yesterday and held a long consultation with the prisoner. According to Bates's next door neighbor, she promised to withdraw her case against him and do all in her power to secure his release.

KNOWING DOG, THIS BULL.

His Master Makes Artificial Limbs, So He Tried to Tear the Leg Off a Mail-Carrier.

There may or may not be anything significant in the fact that a bulldog belonging to an artificial limb maker in West Thirtieth street all but tore off a mail-carrier's leg yesterday afternoon, but the victim intends to have something done to the dog.

The sagacious beast, belonging to W. Feucht, of No. 55 West Thirtieth street, at 5 o'clock last evening William H. Lee, of Station E, entered the artificial limb maker's store with a bag of mail slung over his shoulder. The dog was usually kept muzzled, but on this occasion was being for business. He sprang at the letter carrier and buried his teeth in his right leg. Lee yelled for help, but the neighbors who called were afraid to interfere, as they feared the owner would sue them for damages.

Meantime somebody sent out an alarm, and Policeman Schellenger hastened to the scene. The dog was still clinging to the leg of the mail carrier, who was still kneeling on the ground, where the bulldog was still gnawing the calf of Lee's leg, when Feucht finally pulled his pet away. The leg was badly lacerated, and his fingers were almost torn off. After collecting his scattered mail Lee went to the West Thirtieth Police Station, where he was asked to go to the hospital. Sergeant McDermott sent a couple of policemen to the house, but the animal could not be found. Lee will swear out a warrant to-day.

Griminal Court Notes.

William Hight, the colored servant of Father Edward J. Connelley, who was arrested for having in his possession knock-out drops, pleaded guilty yesterday. Judge Fitzgerald sentenced him to Sing Sing for four years.

Judge Fitzgerald issued a bench warrant yesterday for James J. Sullivan, of No. 89 Grand street, Brooklyn, who has fled to escape trial for armed robbery. Judge Fitzgerald notified Assistant District Attorney Miliken yesterday that his client had fled and that he had forfeited the bond of \$5,000 and issued a warrant for Sullivan's arrest. Sullivan is now at No. 38 Eighth avenue.

BABY'S COMING.

Nature intended that every woman should look forward to the coming of her baby with joy and hope, unclouded by anxiety. Almost everywhere women in robust health and good condition. It ought to be the rule instead of the exception; and it is a fact that a very large proportion of the usual pain and suffering may be avoided by looking after the mother's general health, and specially strengthening the particular organs concerned in parturition.

Many mothers have been brought through the trying time almost painlessly by the aid of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It prepares the system for delivery by imparting the organic strength and elasticity which the mother specially needs; shortens the time of labor and of confinement; promotes the secretion of abundant nourishment for the child and fortifies the entire constitution against the after period of depression and weakness. It's use should begin in the early months of gestation—the earlier the better.

Mrs. Fred Hunt, of Glenville, Schenectady Co., N. Y., says: "I read about Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription being so good for a woman with child, so I got two bottles last September, and December 13th, I had a twelve-pound baby girl. When I was confined, I was not sick in any way. I did not suffer any pain, and when the child was born I walked into another room and went to bed. I never had an after-pain or any other pain. This is the eighth child and the largest of them all. I suffered everything that flesh could suffer and the other babies. I always had a doctor and then he could not help me very much, but this time my mother and my husband were alone with me. My baby was only seven days old when I got up and dressed and left my room, and stayed up all day."

Mrs. Fred Hunt



W.M.K. OLCOTT



THOS. J. HAMILTON



ELISHA K. CAMP



GEN. JAMES R. O'BEIRNE

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